(ii) As Legislative exercise is currently underway to provide for a quasi judicial mechanism to regulate content on TV channels including that of adult TV programme.

Telecast of Olympic event

†387. SHRI MOTILALVORA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the legitimate right to telecast Olympic events was exclusively given to Doordarshan and All India Radio;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some private news channels have exceeded the time limit of agreement for the telecast of Olympic events;

(c) if so, whether Government would recover the amount for the excess time from these private news channels; and

(d) if so, to what extent and by when?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Prasar Bharati has informed that private channels have used Olympic footage extensively.

(c) and (d) Prasar Bharati has informed that action to effect recoveries, wherever due, has been initiated by them.

DTH service

388. SHRIMATIPREMACARIAPPA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has finalized the rules and regulations for Doodarshan's DTH service;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating the objectives thereof; and

(c) by when Doordarshan is likely to start satellite transmission in Ku Band to enable the viewers to receive 30 TV channels free to air, with the help of dish antenna and a Set Top Box?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) The Ku-band transmission project of Doordarshan was approved by the Government in November, 2003 at an estimated cost of Rs. 164.35 crores. The primary objective of Doordarshan's

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.